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Dr. C.W. Jameson National Toxicology Program Report on Carcinogens MD EC-14 PO Box 12233 Research Triangle Park, NC 27709



Dear Dr. Jameson:

Enclosed please find a copy of the EPRI report "Comparative Carcinogenicity of Nickel Compounds". This report was completed in December 1999 and consists of a review of nickel toxicity, pharmacokinetics and mode of action. This work has been undertaken in support of development of a pharmacokinetic model that will encompass the behavior of nickel ion at the cellular level. We trust that this information may be useful to you in your current deliberations on the carcinogenicity of nickel compounds. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need further information.

Sincerely,

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